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Serial Nos.

GENERAL AND REVENUE SECRETARIAT.

Serial Nos. 57 to 64

Part B. for Secret

SUBJECT.

Issue of the Investigation of the Secret Staff. Official Proceedings to the Jamkhandi State

A. Letter from the Investigator to the Secret Staff to the address of the Dewan dated 1.9.08.

Requests that such orders may issue to the Officers of Jamkhandi State for having stopped the Investigator's journey to attend evidence of Officers who were present during the proceedings and withdrawn into their respective, their Services during the Investigation

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from the Deputy Translator to the Resy
No 109 dy 7. 9. 08.

Submits report on the allegations
referd to in the two telegrams referd
to in Sl No E, and forwards copies
of telegrams and English correspondence
for information showing how
matters stood really, and how
they were grossly misrepresented &c.

H. To the Deputy Translator Dists and
Deputies of other Dists. Progs
No 1219-26 dy 16.9.08.

Approves generally of the
action taken by the Deputy in
settling disputes between the
Bengali Mall and its opponents
to guidance of local managers
& and observers. That the general
principles that regulate the
conduct of processions of
the kind in question are
explained in the Kamarkhe
endorsement dy 9.8.07 passed
in connection with the dispute
between the Kudali Mall and
the Bengali Mall People order
in Pro No 5547-58 dated 25 8 07 &
dy 29th May 1907 &c.

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Urgent

Submitted to Secretary

A telegram addressed to the Deputy Commissioner by the Swami Muthi of the Muruga Mutt complaining of the Talukdar and District authorities in stopping the procession of the Swamii at Honnavalli &c, was submitted to you on the 1st instant with a copy of the reply telegram sent to the Agent of the Mutt, for necessary action.

The Deputy Commissioner may be requested to send up a full report on the case, and when the report

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MUZRAI SECRETARIAT.

OFFICE NOTE.

File No.

SUBJECT.

Re Entry of the Swamigalu of the Murgi matt into the Tumkur District.

From

The Deputy Commissioner, Tumkur District.

Letter No. 109, Dated 5th September 1908

Slip A

On the 1st September 1908, the Swami of the Murgi matt wired from Tiptur to the address of the Dewan Saheb, stating that his entry into and procession at Honnavalli in the Tiptur Taluk between the 28th and 29th August 1908, went off smoothly, but that on the 30th August which had been fixed for his ~~coming~~ going to Gurgadahalli, the Taluk officers prohibited the tour on the ground that they were ordered to do so by the Deputy Commissioner on the complaint to him that the Swami was using Vyasan [illegible]

other unauthorized insignia. The Swami goes on to argue that the complaint is unfounded and is due to ill-feeling and complains that he has been put to indignity, inconvenience and loss and prays that immediate orders may be issued in the matter.

2 Two days thereafter, ie on the 3rd September 1908, the Brahmins of Tiptur wired to the Muzrai Secretary, complaining that the Swami of the Mivagi Matt going in procession "bearing Jagadguru" was disgraceful to Brahmins and they requested to be informed if the Swami was authorized by Govt to do so. This and telegram and the other which was received on the 18th September 1908, were referred to the Deputy Commissioner, Tumkur District, for immediate report. * Slip B

3 An exhaustive report has now been received. From it and the telegrams, it is observed that objection is taken by the Swami to his detention at Honnavalli, and by the Brahmins to

(1) Ghanta Bathe being carried by Chalavadies through the Brahmin streets;

(2) the recitation of Vedas by non-brahmins

* Mr. K. S Doraswami Iyer's letter No 109 of 5th Sept. 08 * Slip C.

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in the hearing of the Brahmins;

(3) the use of the titles of Maharaja and Jagadguru; and

(4) the passing of procession with music through their streets and before temples; and

(5) the erection of pandals in their streets

The Deputy Commissioner, beyond stating the above objections, does neither state whether the acts objected to were actually committed, nor express his opinion thereon.

4. As regards ~~the~~ his orders ~~of this~~ which are ~~of~~ complained of by the Swami, the Deputy Commissioner states that at the time of the Swami's entry into Honnavalli, the Brahmins ~~and the Goldsmiths~~ of that place stated that that village was divided into blocks caste-wise and that each caste confined its processions to routes long ago determined, and that the Muruga Swami who was the Guru of the dingayets and

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Banajigars, coming as he did for the first time to the village, should confine his procession in conformity with the village mamool, and should not therefore come into the Brahmin streets. The Goldsmiths also represented that it was not the mamool for the Swami of Banajigars to enter their streets and supported their contention by producing a mahazar of 1857 and a Karar be executed between the Goldsmiths and the Banajigars in the year 1866. The Deputy Commissioner reports that in view of those protests he had deputed Assistant Commissioner Mr. C. Narayana Rao and Police Superintendent Mr. J V Krishnamurti to Honnavalli and that through their intercession with the Brahmins, the ~~matter~~ matter went off smoothly at Honnavalli The Goldsmiths however having continued to protest against Sairmamool and as the Swami proposed to go to Gurgadahalli on the 31st August and from there to Jigtur on the 1st instant,

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the Deputy Commissioner reports that he advised the Swami to put off his visit to Tiptur by a day, to enable him (the Deputy Commissioner) to decide the vexed questions of Mamool & Saivmamool, and for that purpose, he again sent the Assistant Commr to ~~Tiptur~~ Tiptur to enquire into the case and take such steps as would, while obviating a possible breach of the public peace, at the same time secure to the Matt all its authorized honors mobe touched and guard it also from all possible chances of insult or indignity from their opponents. The Deputy Commissioner also reports that the journey from Honnavalli direct to Tiptur was arranged to be performed by night without a regular procession, to avoid a breach of the peace, and that as the pandals and other arrangements for the reception of the Swami had also very far advanced, [illegible]

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persons ~~who~~ who were opposed to the Swami's entry into Tiptur were advised directly and indirectly as to the folly of unpleasant demonstrations at that stage and that they would do well in their own interests to avoid publicly insulting other religionists and that ~~xxxx~~ they were told that whatever their Mamool was, would not be lost to them by their present compliance and that the Govt of H.H the Maharaja looked alike on all religionists and would secure to each its accustomed rights and privileges. He further states that the entry of the Swami into Tiptur was also smoothly accomplished and that the Swami intends making a stay of 8 days there, and expresses the opinion that as he apprehends more serious troubles in the future, it is necessary to decide beforehand and in ample time the Swami's next camp, the route and the method

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of entry. In conclusion, the Deputy Commissioner requests to be informed how far his views meet with the approval of Govt. His views appear to be :-

(1) that the Murgi Matt Swami, in common with every private citizen, has a right to go in any public street.

(2) that the Swami's going in procession with music is regulated by mamool governing the place, as for instance in the case of the Brahmin and goldsmith streets at Tirumavalli, with regard to which a mamool is proved against the Murgi matt.

(3) that his processions with music will have to be stopped when passing in front of temples, matts, masjids and such other places belonging to the other religionists.

(4) that the mamool obtaining in favor of one matt cannot be urged as a ground for another matt claiming the same.

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ie that each Matt will have to stand by its own rights

As regards the objections raised by the Brahmins and noted in para 3 supra, the Deputy Commissioner does not say anything, but the Endorsement, granted to the brahmins of Chitaldrug on a similar complaint, and a copy of which was sent to the several Deputy Commissioners, pr lays down generally that nothing should be done by the Swami or his disciples which would have the effect of ~~wrong~~ wounding the religious feelings of other communities.

Subd.) A printed copy of Govt. Prs. No 5547-58 dt 28th May 1907 passing orders on the Muruvi Mahs claim for certain insignia and a copy of Revenue Endt No 776 dt 9th August 1907 granted to the Brahmins are submitted

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* Subd 2: Annexure (3)

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The disputes & objections refer to questions of local manual which only the local authorities can decide - The Dy Commr appears, so far, to have disposed of the questions that arose for decision to the satisfaction of both parties & his action may be generally ~~of~~ approved.

The general principles that should ~~guide~~ regulate the conduct of such processions are explained in the Canarese Govt Granted in the dispute between the Kudli Mutt & Shringeri Mutt people. The principle are ~~generally~~ mainly that ~~the public roads are open~~ everyone is free to pass on the public roads, but that in doing so, respect should be paid to institutions of other re

by the cessation of music while passing in front of such insts, and that the use of insignia or recitations implying or intending insult to other sects should not be used. While these general principles are fully acceptable it is doubtful if they cover all the cases that arise in the practical conduct of such processions. For instance the Dy Comm refers in this case to a manual in Honnavalli according to which Banajigars did not go in procession in front of the Streets & vice versa. There is also a reference to objections to pandals being erected in public streets. The principles laid down would not perhaps recognise these manuals, but I express the opinion with diffidence, as the recognition of

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similar local usage was approved by Govt in a dispute in the Kolar town. Perhaps it would ~~be~~ correct to hold that where there is a well understood reciprocal obligation — as that A should not pass through B's streets & B through A's streets — such a mamul should be recognized & acted upon. But where a mamul imposes only an ~~one~~ one sided obligation, ~~such a mamul should~~ — as that A should not pass through B's streets without any restriction as to B's action in similar circumstance — such a mamul should be prima facie discountenanced. A similar rule might regulate the erection of pandals.

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In view of what the Dy Comm^r writes about the want of previous information about the Swami's movements, an order may be issued requiring that copies of a Swami's tour programme in each taluk should be communicated to the Asst^t Police Supdt & Dy Comm^r before the Swami enters the taluk &c.

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The Dy Comm^r's action may be generally approved. He should be left to decide as to questions of manool & erection of pandals. The Swamigalu may be asked to intimate his programme beforehand to the Dy & Taluk Officers

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D.O. No. 1318/1 fd6

Bangalore,
21st September 1908.

Dear Mr Macnaghie

As promised in my D.O. letter No.1299 dated 3rd September, I submit herewith for His Highness' information, the report received from the Deputy Commissioner of Tumkur in regard to the complaint made by the disciples of the Murgi Mutt about the Swami having been detained by the authorities at Honnavalli in the Tiptur Taluk.

The disputes between the Murgi Mutt and its opponents which led to this complaint have been settled by the Deputy Commissioner to the satisfaction of both

parties and Government orders No.1219-20 dated 16th September 1908 have been passed on the case.

I also submit for information, a telegram which I received from the disciples of the Murgi Mutt on the 3rd September intimating that the Swamy's procession at Tiptur went off satisfactorily.

Yours sincerely

N Jagannadha Rao

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D.O No 30 Encl file

D.O from No: 1024 23 24.9.08

Mysore
22nd September
1908

Dear Dr. Madhava Rao

His Highness has perused these papers & desires me to return them with thanks.

Yours sincerely
E Macdonald

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~~Attd~~

Re Processing Swamy Murji Mutt.

As some papers the file may be kindly sent back for some submission

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orders have been issued. File submitted to the Dewan Administrator

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The papers are returned with the Dewan's D.O. to Mr Macaroochie No. 1318 dated 21st September and that Dewan's rept 1 thereon 1 1st 30 8/22 idem

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Submitted to the 2nd Councillor for perusal.
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Chinese Regiment
Chinese Secretary

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Telegram

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To,

Agent

Chitaldrug Murgi Matt

Honnavalli

Tiptur.

Your petition has been referred to Deputy Commissioner —

Submitted to Secretary for favour of necessary action.

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Telegram.

Dated 7.65.08

To, Zipkin, Mudaliar Swami, Kumbakonam

From Bangalore, Mysore Secretariat

Your telegram ~~dated Brahmins~~ ~~telegram~~ referred to Deputy Commissioner.

Copy to Brahmins Zipkin

Subject

The Reply prepaid Receipt for Rs 2 maybe used for this.

Draft by Secy 3/9/08.

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To

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The Dy Commissioner

Tumkur Dt.

Sir,

In forwarding herewith copies of two telegrams - one from the Swamiji of the Muruga Mutt & the other from certain Brahmins of Tiptur - regarding the procession of the Muruga Mutt Swamiji in Honnavalli I am directed to request the favour of an immediate report on the allegations contained in the telegrams

I have &c

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Deputy Commissioner's Office, Tumkur

Dated the 5th September 1908.

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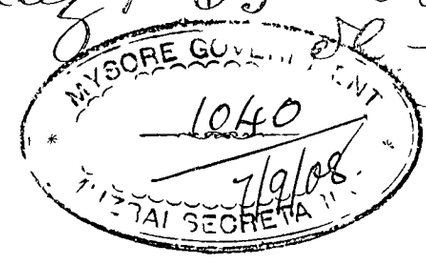
From

K.Doraswami Iyer Esqr.,
Deputy Commissioner
Tumkur District.



To

The Secretary to the Government of Mysore,
M U Z R A I D E P A R T M E N T .

Sir

I have the honour to acknowledge your letter No. 1001 dated the 3rd instant forwarding copies of two telegrams in connection with the visit of the Murugi Matt and asking an immediate report upon them.

2. On the 19th July 1908 was received here a communication from the Agent of the Matt to intimate that the Swamy thereof proposed to tour in the Tumkur District with his entire goods according to Government Rahadari and that needful instructions should be issued to the Taluks. The Matt however sent no programme and the next we heard anything about the Matt was from the Amildar's report and from the petitions of protest in the matter of the Guru's visit to Honnavalli.

3. First there was a petition to the Amildar from the Brahmin residents of Honnavalli. It said that the village was divided into blocks caste-var, that the Guru should confine himself to the Lingoyet and Banajiga localities and also stop music &ca when passing the temples. It asked the Amildar as the chief local authority to see that the mamools of the village were respected. The Amildar recorded the kaifiyats of the various communities.

4. The Brahmins said that the village was divided into blocks caste-var and that each caste confined its processions &ca to routes long ago established, that the Murugi Matt Swamy who was Guru to Lingoyets and Banajigars was coming to their village for

the first time, that he should confine his procession to the established mamool of the village, that the mamools might be ignored only if they could be ignored agreeably to the new Government proclamation but that nobody and until then gone against mamool. Many of other religions than their own had never visited the village, that the Guru of Mutt Guru was coming to their village for the first time and others stop music when passing temples but if this time was not agree with the Government order they would visit them, that it was not mamool either for people of other castes to erect pandals in the Brahmin streets but if these new acts were not agreeable to Government there could be nothing further for them to say. They feared that anything that might be done now would become a mamool for the future. At the end of this statement after the examination of some that made it, appears a supplementary statement recorded by the Amildar ------- If the Sirkar meaning evidently Government of accordance with the orders of Government that music should be stopped when passing the Brahmin streets, Agrahara, Sannidhi and Mylari Linga temples when made it if the Sirkar were not going to act according to Government orders the petitioners could not press their contention. Strict perseverance that Government orders should be obeyed is noticeable at every turn. It is a remarkable kaifiyat as kaifiyets go [illegible].

5 The Gowdas of the village stated that they were not aware of the limits of any Gurus to their village except Sringeri and Sivaganga and did not stop music when passing the temples, that their extent and its limits defined and that Panajigar processions never entered their streets.

6 The statement of the people of other castes was that many Gurus visited Bommarilli and that all processions of Gurus and all processions of marriage and other ceremonies passed the temples without stopping music also.

7 The Amildar's notes on the petition that was presented to him [illegible] here. He noted that the Guru of Murugi Mutt was visiting

the village for the first time and that as he had not come there before, it was not possible to determine what was mamool ! The very circumstance that it was the first visit simplified matters considerably and this very point was persistently insisted upon in the petition itself and the kaifiyet.

8. The next note was that the Government order ruled that it was not possible to lay down that this one could go in the public streets and that other could not and his conclusion therefrom was that no streets could be prohibited to the Murugi Matt processions! Here is the second incorrect conclusion. He is quoting evidently from the Kanarese endorsement to the Matts dated the 9th August 1907 which went as an enclosure to the Muzrai Secretary's letter No.713 dated the 9th August 1907 to the Deputy Commissioner of Chitaldrug, communicated to this office with the Secretary's memo No.714-20½ dated 9-8-07 19-8-07. and communicated hence to the Sub Divisional Officers and Amildars in due course. The third para of the endorsement recites the contention of the other side that the Guru of Murugi Matt could enter Chitaldrug only on foot as per an order of some time ago by the Division Superintendent of the place and decides that that contention was not acceptable to Government and proceeds to state that all Jaree mamools however should be observed in respect of stopping music &ca when passing the temples &ca of other communities. It is curious that the first half of one paragraph came to be construed by the Amildar without reference to the next half of it. This proviso which accompanied the permission that was granted to the Matt was recited also in the Government's letter of the 9th August 1907 quoted above.

9. And his third conclusion was that the Guru of Murugi Matt would have to stop music when passing temples if the Gurus of other Matts had stopped it. A strange inference indeed from the kaifiyets that had been recorded by himself ------ strange also from the point of view of the clear wording of the Government order. The restriction lay in the matter of passing the temples and mosques of other religions ------- religions other than that to which the Murugi

Matt belonged.

10 The Brahmins and Viswakarmas contended that only Sringeri and Sivaganga Matts had visited Honnavalli while the other side had contended that many other Gurus had visited the place. Here was a point very simple of verification. The visits of Matts could be most easily ascertained from the records of the District office and the Taluk Cutcherry or from reference to the Matts themselves. However might be the result of that reference there was the unquestioned point that the Matt had never visited Honnavalli before. Mamool affects not the object but the person. What is mamool at one place cannot be mamool at another. What is mamool to one person cannot be mamool to another. Some exceedingly humorous and amazing examples would readily occur to the mind of every Hindu for a moment that the principle of mamool is not clear.

11 [illegible] the Taluk Head Assistant Collector supported the contention of some of the mamools claimed by the Brahmins [illegible] of Bhadravati 72 years of age deposed that only the Gurus of Sringeri, Sivaganga, Kudli, Harihareshwara and Krishnanda had visited Honnavalli, that the Guru of Kalahalli had once come there but was not allowed to enter the Brahmin streets, that he did not enter the town in procession, that he resided in Harishideswara temple, that the matter was reported to the authorities, that the Guru left without any procession in the town and that this occurred during the Presidency of Gyanendra Krishnappa.

12 The Collector's record that Banajigars do not enter their streets, that every year the Banajigars do a ceremony called Kanthe Pakkie in which a decorated Matti, that the Aiyya comes to their street to near the house of Devenna Nayaka and takes his seat on a chair there stopping all music and goes to the houses of his caste people for Bikshe, that the music is not brought into their street, that this mamool is still in force, that they do not take their processions to the Banajigars' streets, that their Guru is at Anegondi, that if Government would permit him to go in procession in the Banajigars' streets, they would have no objection to the Guru of

Murugi Matt coming in procession to their streets. Another Goldsmith stated that Sivachar Banajigars dont come to their streets, that the Guru of Murugi Matt went in procession through his street and that the Goldsmiths had petitioned the Deputy Commissioner against it, that he was present when the Mahazar marked No.1 was presented to the Deputy Commissioner at Tumkur, that this Mahazar came into existence in the year 1857, that he was presenting to the Sub Divisional officer for perusal a second Mahazar of 1866 which was a Karar between Goldsmiths and Banajiga setties and that this Karar was still in force and that he presented a petition of protest to the Police Superintendent on the day that the Murugi Matt Guru arrived at Honnavalli.

13. Objection is taken to Ghante batlu being carried by chalavadies through the Brahmin streets, to the recitation of Vedas which they say that according to Dharmasastra they should not hear when recited by other than Brahmins, to the titles of Maharaja and Jagat Guru, to the processions and the music through the streets and before temples and to pandals in their streets.

14. The Sub Divisional officer's findings on the questions of mamool must be accepted.

15. The report of the Amildar arrived here on the 19th ultimo. On the same date arrived also a petition from the Brahmins of Honnavalli. These were sent by my office to the Superintendent of Police with a memo asking him to enquire into mamools and to see that no disturbance occurred. The Superintendent asked the Amildar on the 20th August 1908 to enquire and report when the Murugi Matt was expected and on the 22nd ultimo arrived the Amildar's report that the Guru was expected on the 23rd. We had no intimation from the Matt of when they would enter the District or where they would camp first. Honnavalli was their first camp in this District and it was strange indeed that the Matt gave me no intimation of it. It seems the Amildar had been given intimation however.

16. Another petition was received here on the 21st ult' sent it on to the Superintendent of Police asking him to so arr in consultation with the Sub Divisional officer that no galata occurred and to warn the petitioners against offering any obstruction to authorised mamools and to tell the Agent of the Matt that no non-mamool acts should be attempted.

17. There was a petition also from the Brahmins of Nonavinakere to state that they apprehended that the Murugi Matt was going to commit some gairmamool acts on the strength of some new order said to be obtained from Government, that the principles of their religion precluded them from offering active opposition and that they trusted tha Government would intervene to prevent insults being offered to themselves and their Gods.

18. Another petition is received by the Sub Divisional officer today from the Goldsmiths and Devangas of Nonavinakere asking that in case the Guru of Murugi Matt visits their village he should confine himself to routes established by mamool and that he should walk to the temples and conform to procedure there and that if any mamools be transgressed they would take the law into their own hands. A petition to the same tenor has arrived to my address also. Both were registered, I suppose to make sure that they reached here.

19 The Police Superintendent got to Honnavalli on the night of the 22nd ultimo and the Guru was to arrive the next day. Pandals and every thing else were ready. The Superintendent had to accept the mamools as found by the Amildar. Arrangements for the Guru's reception had reached a far stage and it would have been indiscreet just then to try to undo them to the just disappointment of the Lingayats and their followers. The Police Superintendent sent the Lingayats to the Brahmins to ask their support and so smoothed over matters for the moment. There was subsequently the petition of protest already alluded to from the Goldsmiths.

20. On the 29th ultimo appeared before me some Brahmins and Goldsmiths and the latter presented the Mahazar of 1857 already alluded to. They complained that some processions were intended to be conducted

conducted on the 30th and 31st, that they had once submitted to gairmamools and should not be made to suffer again. The 30th was Gauri Ganesh and I sent an order to the Amildar muddam asking him to proceed forthwith to Honnavalli and request the Matt to postpone the processions until I could decide the vexed questions of mamool and gairmamool and drawing his attention to Government's letter to the Deputy Commissioner of Chitaldrug quoted above and pointing out that certain limitations which applied to the Matt at Chitaldrug itself were allowed to be transgressed at Honnavalli of this District.

21. On the 31st ultimo the Agent of the Matt and some Sivachar gentlemen came here and represented that they had intended no procession at Honnavalli but only meant to go to Gurgadahalli where their sishyas had been awaiting the Guru, that they had not tied the Vyasan Tholu to Nandidhwaja, that they were to go to Tiptur on the 1st September where their sishyas had gathered. I advised them to put off their visit to Tiptur by a day and that I hoped to be able by then to decide the vexed questions either way, that the Sub Divisional officer was already at Tiptur to enquire into every thing and to take such steps as would while obviating a possible breach of the peace would at the same time secure to the Matt all its authorised honours unobstructed and guard them also from all possible chances of insult or indignity from their opponents.

22. The Matt was next to proceed to Tiptur where also troubles were apprehended. I sent over the Police Superintendent to be of help to the Sub Divisional officer should occasion arise for it. It was more likely however on the lines that we were proceeding that no real trouble would occur. At Tiptur too pandals had been erected about the same time as at Honnavalli. Those who were opposed to the Swamy's entry and were insisting on mamools were advised directly and indirectly as to the unwisdom of unpleasant demonstrations at a time when the arrangements for the reception were so far advanced and that they would do well in their own interests to avoid publicly insulting another religion and that whatever their mamool

rights were would not be lost to them by their present complian with my wishes and that the Government of His Highness the looked alike on all religions and would secure to each its tomed rights and privileges. It was arranged to get the Guru down to Tiptur from Honnavalli by night as processions could be dispensed with by night without wounding their susceptibilities. It would have been humiliating to their followers that their Guru having entered a place in procession should leave it without one. The Guru was encamped in a Bungalow near the Tiptur Travellers' Bungalow and entered Tiptur in the morning. So far my officers have made the best of a bad case ----- it looked indeed full of troubles at every stage. However now begin more serious troubles. Troubles might hereafter begin with the first attempt of the Matt's followers to put up pandals. It is necessary to decide beforehand and in ample time the next camp and the route and method of entry. Threatening petitions have begun today. I am issuing needful orders in this matter. The Matt is going to stay at Tiptur some 8 days.

23. I beg that Government may in the meanwhile be pleased to let me know how far my views meet with their approval.

24. Copies of telegrams and English correspondence are sent herewith for information as showing how matters stood really and how they were grossly misrepresented.

I have the honour to be

Sir

Your most obedient servant.

D. Sreenivasa Iyengar

for Deputy Commissioner.

Copy of Telegram dated 1st September 1908
from Siddaramiah His Holiness Mut of Chitaldrug Camp
Honnavalli

To the Deputy Commissioner
Tumkur .

Programme of His Holiness of Chitaldrug was to arrive Tiptur 8 A.M. today Assistant Commissioner and Amildar enquiring some Honnavalli brahmin false complaint and not allowing programme Tiptur people expecting His Holiness arrival most furniture at Tiptur few at Honnavalli . Programme almost cancelled awaiting your early reply.

Reply to the above

To

Siddaramiah
Murgi Mutt Honnavalli
Tiptur

Assistant Commissioner most just and honourable doing his best for all sides and studying your interests on lines explained to agent personally yesterday .Trust him.

Sd/ K. Doraswami Iyer
1-9-1908
11-10 P.M.

"Copies".

D Srinivasamurthy

For Deputy Commissioner.

Bm

Copy of Telegram dated 1st September 1908 from Malleshappa and others .

To

The Deputy Commissioner

Tumkur .

Programme of His Holiness of Chitaldrug being to arrive Tiptur at 8 A.M. today meals prepared for about six thousand people. Though expected till 5 P.M. His Holiness did not arrive this and present circumstances show Assistant Commissioner and Amildar do not allow His Holiness to arrive here awaiting your immediate reply in this matter

Reply to the above

To

Malleshappa and others

Tiptur.

Assistant Commissioner is most just and honourable and doing his best for all sides and studying your interests as explained to you personally . Confide in him.

Sd/ K. Doraswami Iyer

1-9-1908

11-10 P.M.

"Copies".

D Srinivasaraghavan

For Deputy Commissioner.

Bm

Copy of Telegram dated 1st September 1908 from Tiptur Public.

To

The Deputy Commissioner

Tumkur .

Kothurappa put up temple kalasa on pendal erected before his house in public street without authority for his Gurus' procession causing ill feeling to public and obstruction to other gods' procession .

Praying orders for removal.

Forwarded to the Gubbi Sub Divisional Officer for disposal .

Sd/ K. Doraswami Iyer

1-9-1908

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Copy of Telegram dated 1st September 1908 from Merchants Tiptur.

To

The Deputy Commissioner

Tumkur

Please see brahamins telegram pray orders removal Kalasa pendal gods procession stopped

To

Mr. C. Narayana Rao for immediate disposal

Sd/ K. Doraswami Iyer

1-9-1908

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Copy of Telegram dated 1st September 1908 sent to Amildar or Sheristedar Tiptur.

What is the Kalasam on Kottoorappas pendal ? Are any Gods processions stopped ? Arrange everything amicably and give this telegram to Assistant ~~Com-~~ Commissioner for needful action . Wire reply .

"Copies".

For Deputy Commissioner.

Bmv

Tiptur

September 1 -1908

My dear Sir,

I received your D.O. and the Memo regarding the complaint of Honnavalli villagers in re the procession of Moorigiswami in that village against mamool .

I held enquiry into the matter at Honnavalli yesterday afternoon and today and I have enclosed my report for your perusal and orders.

The Mutt people who are overanxious to go to Tiptur pressed me to allow the Swami to go there tomorrow as some thousands of Sivachar people were waiting there for the Swami's arrival . I learnt this evening that a large number of villagers all round Tiptur came here in the noon and returned to their respective villages in the evening . It is stated that some Sivachar people have sent messages to His Highness the Maharaja and the Dewan that they are put to serious inconvenience on account of the Swamis detention at Honnavalli and that early orders should be passed in the matter . I have therefore sent the enclosed report urgently so that you may know on what lines the enquiry is being conducted. I shall make enquiries in Nonavinkere about the mamool there and submit separate report to you.

One Kotoorappa a Lingayat merchant at Tiptur has placed a Kalasa against mamool on a pendal which he has erected in Tiptur Petta , for the Murigiswami . I hear that some more complaints are about to be preferred in respect of the mamool tomorrow by some of the towns people of Tiptur .

I shall go to Nonavinkere tomorrow afternoon and return to Tiptur in the evening . After ---- finishing the necessary enquiries about the mamool relating to the procession both at Nonavinkere and Tiptur , I propose to return to Tumkur the day after tomorrow .

I believe the Murrigi Mutt people will find it difficult to explain the point raised by Honnavalli people touching the mamool particularly about the recitation of vedas and singing in praise of the Swami as Jagadguru etc.

I remain

Yours obediently

Sd/ C. Narayana Rao

"Copy "

D Srinivasulugaru

For Deputy Commissioner.

Bm

Tumkur

31st August 1908,

My dear Narayana Rao

In continuation of my memo of yesterday :

The Agent of the Moorgi Mutt and Mr. Vallesiah of Tiptur and two others came to me this morning in connection with my order to the Amildar to request the Matt to postpone for a short time the processions that had been intended for yesterday and today. It was represented that no processions had been intended but only a trip to some place . They said that the Mutt had arranged to proceed to Tiptur tomorrow . I told them that you were already at Tiptur and would be going to Honnavalli to make ~~useful~~ needful enquiries into the vexed questions of Semool and that such steps would be taken as would while obviating a possible breach of the peace on one hand would at the same time secure to the Matt the enjoyment of all their authorised honours unobstructed and guard them also from all chances of insult or indignity from their opponents . I wrote to you on these lines this morning on the Tiptur Amildar's reports . I advised them to put off by a day their advent into Tiptur as I hoped by then, to issue needful instructions to all parties concerned. They agreed to it.

Please expedite your enquiries .

Yours very sincerely

Sd/ K. Doraswami Iyer

"Copy"

D Srinivasaiengar

For Deputy Commissioner.

Bllr

Tumkur

1st September 1908

My dear Narayana Rao

Have you been able to arrive at any definite conclusions in regard to the questions of mamool ? Is the Moorgi matt coming into Tiptur tomorrow and is there likely to be any trouble from the Brahmins , Goldsmiths etc ?

The Agent of the Matt and Mr. Mallesiah who had come here yesterday seemed to be prefectly willing to abide by the Government order as regards Birudoos , Mamool and everything else and there is not likely to be any trouble from that quarter .

Please decide all the vexed questions yourself and intimate your decisions to both parties and see the procession to Tiptur being carried out according to your decision . The matter need not be referred to me as that would only delay the issue of orders .

I sent you a telegram that was received from Tiptur today . I dont understand what Kalasam it is that they complain of . Please decide this matter also.

Yours sincerely

Sd/ K. Doraswami Iyer

P.S

Herewith another telegram just received . Is it from the same people that sent the first telegram or from others ? Please dispose of this also .

Ind/ K.S.D.

"Copy "

For Deputy Commissioner.

Urgent

To

The Assistant Commissioner

Magistrate

Tiptur

Report received . Postpone Nonavinkere enquiry . Please enable Moorgi Matt proceed Tiptur abandoning gairmamool acts and Birudoos . I agree with your findings in the main.

Sd/ K. Doraswami Iyer

2-9-1908

" Copy "

D Srinivasaiengar

For Deputy Commissioner.

Bm

Tiptur

September 2 -1908

My Dear Sir,

I received your D.O. letter enclosing two wires from Tiptur.

Before the receipt of the above I had sent my report as directed in your Kanarese yadi of the 28th instant ~~instant~~ per moodam to Tumkur . During ~~the~~ the enquiry held at Honnavalli yesterday the Mutt Agent and others repeatedly laid stress upon the Government orders already passed and wanted me to permit the Swami to go to Tiptur without my holding any enquiry and imposing any restrictions whatever, for the conduct of the intended procession at Tiptur The Agent when called upon to explain demurred to state anything in writing about the several objections --- raised by the complainants and after a long delay and hesitation sent me an answer giving no explanation whatever . He and his people showed me an attitude that they should either be allowed to have their own way in going to Tiptur or they would wait for the final decision of the authorities .

Under the circumstances stated in my yesterday's report I could not grant the request of the Agent which seems to be very unreasonable and if granted I am afraid there may be a breach of the peace in Tiptur, where a leading Sivachar merchant has been placing a Kalasa of a temple over a pendal erected for the Swami inspite of the objection of the towns-people .

I have fully stated the facts and my finding about the mamool existing at Honnavalli which I believe

apply to other places other than large towns .

Some more troubles are brewing in Tiptur about the Mamools etc .

The Agent considers that the Mutt strictly adhered to the orders of Government in the procession at Honnavalli but he is unable to reply to the objections raised by the villagers and he simply wants permission to carry out similar procession at Tiptur and other places. I find it difficult to grant his request or I should have disposed of the matters amicably without giving you any further troubles.

I shall attend to the complaint about Kalasam which is a brass thing placed on the very top of the Car during Car processions of God .

I believe you will find sufficient materials in my kanarese report to pass orders as a District Magistrate. I am still making further enquiries .

The Mutt people must have also appeared before you ere this .

Yours very obediently

Sd/ C. Narayana Rao

"Copy".

D Srinivasamurthy

For Deputy Commissioner.

Bmr

Copy of Telegram dated 2nd September 1908 from Mr. C. Narayana Rao Assistant Commissioner .

To

The Deputy Commissioner

Tumkur

Koturappa removed pendal Kalasa Mutt Agent intimated to arrange Swamis arrival Tiptur observing Mamool Superintendent arrived.

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Copy of Telegram dated 3rd September 1908 from Brahmins Tiptur.

To

The Deputy Commissioner

Tumkur

Procession bearing Jagadguru Murgimut disgraceful local authorities declined to uphold hubub created please order by wire removal of Jagadguru from flag.

Reply to the above.

To

Brahmins
Tiptur.

Your telegram is referred to the Assistant Commissioner who is on the spot and will enquire into all questions of Mamool and decide them.

Sd/ K. Doraswami Iyer

3-9-1908

"Copy"

Forwarded to the Sub Divisional Officer of Gubbi for information along with the Telegram from Tiptur to whom the above is the reply .

Sd/ K. Doraswami Iyer
3-9-1908

"Copies".

For Deputy Commissioner.

Copy of the Telegram dated 3rd September 1908 from Mr. C. Narayana Rao Assistant Commissioner .

To

The Deputy Commissioner

Tumkur.

Moorgiswami arrived Tiptur procession passed quietly mamools observed Superintendent Amildar present .

X X X X X X

Copy of Telegram dated 3rd September 1908 from Malleshappa and Others .

To

The Deputy Commissioner

Tumkur.

His Holiness Sri Jagadguru Murugarajendra Mahaswami arrived today here procession occurred satisfactorily. nearly lacks lingayets --- gathering we submit deepest gratefulness to your honor

"Copies".

For Deputy Commissioner.

Tiptur

3-9-1908

Dear Sir,

When I went to Railway Station yesterday I had only a minute and if the train had come in time I do not know whether I would have been able to catch it. Fortunately for me the train arrived half an hour late and so I had plenty of time at my command . At Veladabagi the Mutt people who were going in the goods train saw me and got down from their train . They represented that permission was not given them to bring the Swami to Tiptur yet, that they were put to inconvenience and that they were going to Tumkur to see you and represent their grievances . I told them that they need not go to Tumkur , they can go back with me to Tiptur and that I have been sent by you to communicate to them the grant of permission to celebrate the procession at Tiptur. So they came back . I gave the records given by you to Mr. Narayana Rao and he told the Mutt people that the Swami can come away from Honnavalli . Inspector Sunder Rao was sent to Honnavalli to see that there was no galata when and while the Swami was leaving Honnavalli . The Swami came to Tiptur yesterday evening and was put up in the building opposite to the Traveller's Bungalow . The Swami entered the town this morning in procession . The Amildar , the Sub Divisional Officer& Magistrate and myself were present and I am glad to say the procession came off well and passed quietly . Mr Narayana Rao will I am sure report the ~~result~~ best in person with all other details which deserve your notice or hearing . I have ordered back the extra force got from Tumkur for this procession and I am

returning

returing to Tumkur tomorrow or the day-after .

Rest in person.

I beg to remain

Sir,

Your most obedient and faithful servant

Sd/ Y.V. Krishna Murthi

Superintendent of

Police.

"Copy".

For Deputy Commissioner.

Draft as per Dewan's orders

Mintrai

Decd 7-10-08

Read:- N G

Yes

Telegram dated 1st Sept. 1908, from the Swamiji of the Muzgi Matt, complaining of his detention at Honnavalli in the Tiptur Taluk by the Taluk authorities.

Telegram dated 3rd Sept 1908, from the Brahmins of Tiptur complaining of the unauthorized assumption of the title of Jagadguru by the Swami of the above named Matt.

Letter No. 109, dated 5th Sept. 1908, from the Deputy Commissioner, Tumkur District, submitting ~~an exhaustive~~ a report on the subject.

No. 1219-26 dd 16.9.08

Order thereon:-

Withdraw the

From the report submitted by the D.C it appears that the disputes ~~and objections~~ between the Muzgi Matt and its opponents refer to questions of local manool which only

the local authorities can decide.

The Deputy Commissioner has disposed of ~~these~~ the questions that have arisen ~~arose for his decision~~ to the satisfaction of both parties, and his action is ~~in case~~ generally approved.

2. The Govt further observe that the general principles that ~~should~~ regulate the conduct of processions of the kind in question are explained in the Kanarese Endorsement dated 9th August 1887, issued in connection with the ~~granted in~~ the dispute between the Kudli Matt and the Murgi matt people and referred to in the Deputy Commissioner's report read above. These principles are mainly that everyone is free to pass on the public roads, but that in doing so, respect should be paid to institutions of other religions by the cessation of music while passing in front of such institutions, and that the use of insignia, or recitations implying

or intending assault to other sects should be avoided. While these principles are of general application, they do not cover all the cases that may arise in the practical conduct of such processions, as for instance the questions of mamool in regard to the passing of processions in particular streets, and of the erection of pandals &c. The Deputy Commissioner will be requested to decide such cases in the manner he deems best.

3. In view of what the Deputy Commissioner states about the want of previous information regarding the Swamij's movements, the Govt direct that copies of the Swamij's tour programme in each Taluk or District should be communicated to the Munsiff

~~the District Superintendent of~~

~~Police~~ and the Deputy Commissioner

before the Swamigal enters the Taluk

or District.

Dewan's order) B. 14.9.08

for. Secretary

W.W. 14/9/08

To

The Deputy Commissioner, Trichur Dt.

" Deputy Commrs. of other Dts for info.

No. 1227

Copy to the Swamigal

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